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Catherine Kuhlman: Executive Officer North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Blvd. Ste. A Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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Dear Ms. Kuhlman:

Re: Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region to Establish Exception Criteria to the Point Source Waste Discharge Prohibitions by Revising the Action Plan for Storm Water Discharges and Adding a New Action Plan for Low Threat Discharges

We are residents in the Russian River watershed and are very concerned about the potential adverse impacts of the release of treated effluent into the Russian River. The river and its tributaries are the source of drinking water for many households and sensitive habitat for some special study species.

We would like to express our support for additional study of the effects of treated effluent, and storm water on the health and safety of the residents and wildlife downstream prior to adoption of the Exception Criteria to the Point Source Waste Discharge Prohibition plan.

Some of the issues that need more study are the monitoring and mitigation of storm water runoff, and the potential for the introduction of pathogens into the drinking water system from the discharge of wastewater into the Russian River and tributaries.

Sincerely,

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